

## John Street Improvement Association

**Still Hustles to Make Abraham Lincoln Dalton Safety Director. No Use For Free Bridges Now, That The Saloons of Kentucky Are Threatened With Being Compelled to Close on Sunday. Resolutions Passed Against J. O. White's Rock Pile Idea.**

Dis am er time ob truble fer de cul-  
ered people ob dis town en Ah jest doan  
no what am gwine ter hapen. Thus  
spoke President Erastus Johnsing of the  
John Street Improvement, Welfare and  
General Do Your Neighbor Good As-  
sociation, Friday evening, when that well  
known organization of colored citizens  
was called to order. It was evident  
that Brother Johnsing was excited and  
a murmur of applause passed through  
the hall. The attendance was large,  
representative colored citizens having  
gathered to hear reports of several com-  
mittees and to take action upon the same.  
Continuing, Mr. Johnsing said:

De bizness ob dis sociation am done  
tuck in en gone clean rong en it aint  
no fault of de members er de osifers  
dat dis am de case. It am jes de oder day  
dat we pints er kummitte fer to kunfer  
wid de peeples power league bout free  
bridges en what am de result. Nothin  
aint zulted en nothin am gwine ter zult.  
De kummitte what am named fer to git  
in kermunkashon wid de peeples pow-  
er white folks am poted dat dey aint  
done no good. Mister Biglo en his folks  
aint got nothin mo fer to say bout free  
bridges sech as dey was gwine to give  
to de people jest er few weeks back.  
Pears to de kummitte dat dem white  
men what was pintoed to kunfer wid  
Mr. Shinkle am flitted wid cole feet en  
dat dey aint ben nigh Mr. Shinkle wid  
no posal to give dese bridges to de pub-  
lic free ob cos. Looks jes lak dis Mis-  
ter Biglo was shootin at de moon, jes  
es he mos ginerly am, when he poses  
to make dese bridges free en Ah poses to  
have dis sociation drot resolutions to dat  
effect.

Furder, what am de use ob habbin  
free bridges ef dis here Mister Stanley  
what am jes ben lected gunvor ob Ken-  
tucky am don got on de water wagin  
en ef de torney ginral am gwine in fer  
to shet up de saloons ober dar on de  
Sabbath day. Dis pears to me to be  
jes er nudder one ob de ways what de  
white foks ob dis part ob de kuntry  
got ob priven de culord citizen ob his  
rights. Ef de sloons on de oder side  
ob de riben am gwine to be shet up on  
de Sabbath day, what use has de nig-  
gers ob dis town fer free bridges? Dey  
aint got no bizness on de tother side ob  
de river cept on dat day en of dey kaint  
git no gin when dey crosses de bridges.  
Ah is right here to say de culored  
people aint gwine need dem bridges en  
it doan make no diffance ef dey am free  
er not. Ah dar fore am gwine to git  
de members to dopt er motion shovin  
dat we has los konfidence in Mister  
Biglo en de Peeples Power League.

Furder, brethern, Ah wants ter kal  
yo tention to a subje ob nigh ekul  
portance to de members as am de shet-  
tin up ob de sloons cross de riben on  
de Sabbath. Ah knowd when Ah hearn  
dat dis Mister Edwards en Cunel Procter  
done buttin in on dis police bizness  
dat it want gwine to sult in nothin good,  
en Ah made de statement dat ef dese  
white gemmen would keep dey noses out

ob de police bizness, de niggers want  
hav no kick coming. Ah said dat dis Mis-  
ter Holmes want gwine ter gree to hol  
de job ob safety drector en dat it gwine  
do no good fer dese white peepul fer to  
go nosin roun de city hal axin Mister  
Holmes fer to hang on to de job. He  
dun sed he gwine ter quit en he gwine  
ter quit, he jes kin ob man. Dis doan  
mean dat Mister Puchta am gwine to ack  
on de jestion ob dis sociation en pint our  
eminent culord citizen, Mr. Abraham Lin-  
coln Dalton es de nex safty drecter  
but it do mean dat dar is shore a heap  
mor truble in sto fer de culored peo-  
ple cause eny man what am pintoed am  
gwine to fire Cunel Coplin en put er  
nuther white man on de jub. Now  
Ah doan want to hab it bled dat Ah  
has eny love fer Cunel Coplin. Dat  
am de wrong ide. De niggers ob dis  
town aint got no cause to like him, but  
Ah does want to kall yo tention to de  
fact dat we knows de ways ob Cunel  
Coplin en knows jes erbout how we got  
to ack when he am on de jub. Dis new  
drecter ob de safty department am  
unknown to us en we kant fom no  
pinion es to who de nex chief gwine  
ter be, but yo niggers kin take it from  
yo president, dar aint nothin good gwine  
to hapen fer de niggers. We aint gwine  
to git no free bridges en we aint gwine  
to need dem ef de sloons on de uder  
side ob de riben am gwine ter be shet  
up on de Sabbath. We aint gwine to  
git no culored man in dar es safty  
drecter er chief ob polic en we jes  
got to keep gwine along in de reglar  
striced way es we been doin en de  
proch ob de holday seson don hol out  
de same mount ob couragment what it  
did in former yers. De col wedder am  
comin fas en de nigger what hols er  
good job at dis time had better hol on  
to it en dem es has no jobs wil do wel  
ef dey turn dey faces to de south whar  
de weather am warm en whar de white  
folks wil feed dem.

Dar am one mo thing what Ah spesh-  
ully desiahs to kall yo tention to, dis  
bein de proposal to stablish er big rock  
pile on de riben landin whar de needy en  
hungry kin work while de themomter am  
below de zero pint en dey kin ern er  
meal by beatin rock wid er hamer fer  
fo hours. Dis am de latest posopal ob  
Mister White what am at de head ob  
de charties partment en Ah blebs mah  
marks bout goin south whar er nigger  
kin git feed en whar it aint so powful  
col, am tirely propoiate es while de werk  
house am full ob de misfortunates ub  
de lan, dar am room fer a powerful lot  
ob rocks on de landin and de nigger  
what axes fer charty am gwine to git  
er turn down dar on dat rock pile ef  
dis new safty drecter hes got to git  
more ob dese loffin cops fer to see dat  
dey stays on de job en keeps on beatin  
rock while dey ernin dat diner what  
Mister White gwine ter giv em.

Brethren, Ah see er hard season befo  
de niggers ob dis kermunity and Ah  
moves dat we now dopt dem solutions  
en den jurn tel nex Friday night.

### FOREIGN EDUCATION SURVEYED.

Washington.—International industrial  
competition and the disclosure that in-  
dustrial progress is dependent upon  
education have been the motive for  
school surveys abroad, according to a  
bulletin of the United States Bureau of  
Education on Foreign Educational Sur-  
veys.

The bulletin says the efforts to reor-  
ganize American schools in industrial  
and vocational ways were coincident  
with a realization by the people of the  
wonderful progress made by Germany  
in vocational education and that nation's  
consequent advance in international in-  
dustry and commerce.

The report on a survey made as far  
back as 1884 on technical education ex-  
presses its astonishment at the indus-  
trial progress in France, Germany, and  
Switzerland, and contains the significant  
remark: "While we are of the opinion  
that England still maintains her lead in  
the world of industry, the commissioners  
note with concern the growth of tech-  
nical education abroad." The commis-  
sioners conclude that "if England is to  
continue to be the industrial leader her  
managers, foremen and workmen should  
combine theoretical instruction with  
their acknowledged practical skill."

### RUNNING BOARD IS DANGEROUS

Washington.—In a suit for damages  
against a street car company, Justice  
Robb, of the District of Columbia Court  
of Appeals, has ruled that if a passenger  
leaves a safe place in a street car and  
exposes himself to danger by standing  
on the running board of the conveyance,  
he is guilty of contributory negligence.

### Roof Rents for \$300 a Month

A few years ago the only changes in  
the money value of roofs in the down-  
town district were in the amount of  
expense they incurred to the owners for  
repairs. Now the money value changes  
in a different way. It's a question of  
roof-rental increases. A lease was made  
Monday with the owners of the Pickering  
building, Fifth and Main streets,  
for advertising space on the roof. An  
auto tire company will pay \$300 a month  
for the privilege of placing its sign atop  
the building. The safety razor advertise-  
ment now on the roof brings a rental  
of \$275. Roofs are getting higher in  
Cincinnati!

### EDUCATOR'S WIFE HELD IN STRIKE

**Wealthy Woman Accused of Inter-  
fering With Police.**

Chicago.—During the eleven weeks of  
the strike of garment workers here,  
\$125,000 has been distributed in strike  
benefits or otherwise used to further the  
cause, it was announced today. Ap-  
proximately \$25,000 of the total amount  
came from New York. Mrs. Frances  
Crane Lillie, wife of Prof. Frank R.  
Lillie, of the University of Chicago,  
and daughter of the late Richard T.  
Crane, wealthy iron manufacturer, is to  
appear in court today on a charge of  
alleged interference with the police.  
She was arrested yesterday while doing  
picket duty in the clothing manufactur-  
ing district.

### REACH DEADLOCK IN WAGE DISPUTE

**Big Four Telegraphers Oppose Me-  
diation and Summon Officials  
to Conference—Worcester  
Stands "Pat."**

An entire morning spent in talking  
upon side issues before the salary ques-  
tion was reached was the result of a  
conference between General Manager  
H. A. Worcester and the committee of  
telegraph operators of the Big Four  
yesterday.

General Manager Worcester opened  
proceedings by telling of a conference  
he had held in Cleveland with Presi-  
dent A. H. Smith of the New York  
Central Railroad, to whom had been re-  
ferred the operators' ultimatum of ten  
days ago.

Mr. Worcester said President Smith  
was opposed to the schedule pass basis  
and the issuance of annual passes to  
employees of the railroads. He inti-  
mated if this could be accomplished the  
Big Four might acquiesce in some de-  
mands as to wage increase of the tele-  
graphers.

After considerable talk along this line  
Mr. Worcester asked Chairman Ed-  
ward Whalen of the operators:  
"So you won't budge from the \$55,000  
increase asked?"

Mr. Whalen responded: "We won't  
change the figure and won't agree to  
mediation. If we can not reach an  
agreement the next step on our part is  
to report the matter to the Order of  
Railroad Telegraphers."

Mr. Worcester then said: "It's cer-  
tain we won't go any higher."

Talk then partook of other matters,  
in which Mr. Whalen said: "This mat-  
ter has been handled by us—as a com-  
mittee and not as an organization. It  
has reached a point where we can go no  
further."

General Manager Worcester then  
suggested the operators' committee get  
together and again talk the matter  
over, and all withdrew from the room  
excepting Chairman Edward Whalen  
and Messrs. E. P. Jenkins, George  
Lavenogood and B. T. Conche of the  
committee.

### Conceded \$2,500.

Later the operators conceded \$2,500,  
or \$52,500, and Mr. Worcester came  
back with an offer of \$2,500 in addition  
to the \$40,000 he had previously agreed  
to give.

Chairman Whalen declined this offer  
and stood pat for the \$52,500.

Neither side going further, Mr.  
Whalen said he would refer the whole  
matter to the fourth vice-president, J.  
J. Dermody, of the Order of Railroad  
Telegraphers, and the parties ad-  
journing.

### GERMANY BUYS COPPER

**For Delivery There Immediately  
After the War Ends.**

New York.—Orders for copper aggre-  
gating about 200,000,000 pounds, nearly  
one-fifth of the annual production in the  
United States, have been placed by Ger-  
man representatives with copper con-  
cerns in this country, it was announced  
several days ago. As copper is quoted  
at 20 cents a pound, the cost of the Ger-  
man purchases amount of \$40,000,000.  
Instances where the contracts have  
been filled the metal has been placed in  
storage under an agreement to ship it to  
Germany immediately after the war.

The orders placed in America amount  
to nearly four times the annual pro-  
duction of copper in Germany. America  
produced 1,110,062,000 pounds of copper  
in 1914.

Within a few months the German  
Government has been commandeering  
copper wherever it could be found in the  
German Empire.

### MISS FLYNN ACQUITTED.

Paterson, N. J.—Elizabeth Gurley  
Flynn, a labor leader, was found not  
guilty of a charge of "inciting to per-  
sonal assault" in the silk mill strike in  
Paterson in February, 1913.

### NEW FURNACES FIRED.

Duluth, Minn.—The first steel making  
operations in Minnesota got under way  
at the plant of the Minnesota Steel  
Company. Fires in the blast furnace  
from which the first run of pig iron will  
be drawn were started by officials of the  
company. Within a week after the first  
pig is drawn actual steel manufacturing  
is expected to start.

### INCREASE IN WAGES.

Farrell, Pa.—An increase in wages of  
20 per cent above the base rate on pick-  
led dip bars has been announced by the  
officials of the local plant of the Ameri-  
can Sheet and Tin Plate Company. The  
increase takes effect at once and affects  
250 men.

### MRS. YOUNG RETIRES.

Chicago.—Mrs. Ella Flagg Young,  
who has been identified with Chicago's  
public schools for 53 years—the last six  
as superintendent—retired today. She is  
71 years old. Mrs. Young plans to leave  
immediately for Southern California to  
establish a home.

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## New Text Books May Be Ordered

**Superintendent Condon Working With Committees of  
Teachers to Revise Courses of Study—Big Battle  
Expected Among Publishers.**

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ran-  
dall Condon is preparing plans which  
may "put the skids" under the Ameri-  
can Book Company when the new con-  
tract for text books is entered into next  
August.

The Doctor has appointed commit-  
tees of principals to "revise the course  
of studies" in the schools. These com-  
mittees have been at work for several  
weeks, and it is safe to infer the mem-  
bers will listen to any suggestions  
which may be made by their superior.

### Book Men on Scene.

The American Book Company has  
had the contract for furnishing the  
books to the Cincinnati schools for lo-  
these many years, and it is not to be  
supposed it will be pried loose without  
a fight. Its present contract was for a  
period of five years, and it expires in  
August, 1916.

The fact that a number of Eastern  
book men have been in the city lately  
has caused comment in school circles.  
One, it is said, has boasted that he  
had the American Book Company al-  
ready on the ropes and calling for help.

### State Fixes Price.

The State Commission of Public In-  
struction fixes the prices which are to  
be paid by the school boards for the  
books, and the local board may then  
award the contract to any company it  
desires, at the figures fixed by the State  
Commission. The contract must be for  
a term of five years.

The courses of studies in the local  
schools have not been revised for years,  
which lends color to the story that Dr.  
Condon may recommend another pub-  
lishing house to furnish the text books  
to the School Board.

Dr. Condon is said to favor a Bos-  
ton publishing concern. A professor in  
the University is said to be plugging  
for a Baltimore publishing house. He  
is on one of Dr. Condon's committees,  
and there may be some friction.

The School Board will have to pass  
on any recommendation Dr. Condon  
may make, but it is also suggested that  
the Superintendent would not have  
acted had he not had some intimation  
from board members.

### RAPID TRANSIT BOARD GETS FUNDS FOR PLANNING.

Following action of Council Tuesday  
in unanimously authorizing a \$100,000  
bond issue for preliminary expenses, the  
Rapid Transit Commission will in a few  
days organize its force for planning in-  
terurban connections.

### HUGE RAILROAD REVENUES.

Washington.—The net revenue from  
the operation of the principal steam  
railways in the United States for Sep-  
tember was \$177,140,771, the interstate  
commerce commission announced. The  
operating revenues were \$285,403,834;  
operating income, \$97,412,193.

### AGAINST CONTRACT SYSTEM.

Boston.—Organized teamsters are be-  
ing supported by the trade union move-  
ment in their campaign to abolish the  
contract system for the removal of  
garbage and ashes. It is stated that  
the mayor is in sympathy with the  
workers' plan.

### CO-OP. STORES UNITE.

Johnston City, Ill.—At a meeting of  
managers of practically every co-opera-  
tive store in Southern Illinois an asso-  
ciation was formed to combine their  
buying power that better prices may be  
secured, as well as exchange views on  
co-operation.

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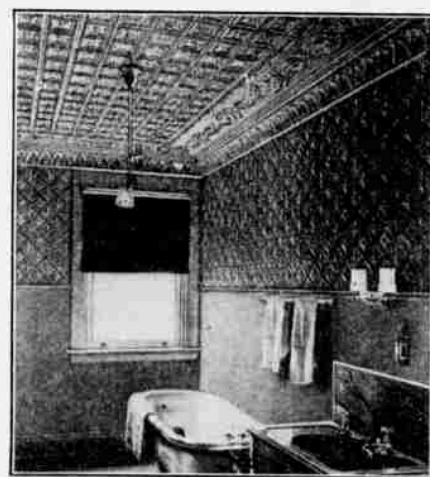
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